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**RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

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Alan Brown  
4460 Northwest 25<sup>th</sup> Place  
Lauderhill, Florida 33313

RE: MUR 5512  
Hastings for Congress and Thomas  
McIntosh, in his official capacity as  
treasurer, Representative Alcee  
Hastings; Arthur Kennedy; Black  
Democratic Caucus of Broward  
County

Dear Mr. Brown:

This is in reference to the complaint you filed with the Federal Election Commission on August 11, 2004, concerning Hastings for Congress and Thomas McIntosh, in his official capacity as treasurer, Representative Alcee Hastings, Arthur Kennedy, and the Black Democratic Caucus of Broward County. Based on that complaint, on October 25, 2005, the Commission found that there was reason to believe Hastings for Congress and Thomas McIntosh, in his official capacity as treasurer (the Committee), violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(b)(2) and 434(b)(3)(A), provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"). However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission determined to take no further action against the Committee, and closed the file in this matter. At the same time, the Commission admonished the Committee.

Additionally, on October 25, 2005, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint and information provided by the respondents, that there is no reason to believe that the Committee violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(3)(A) by failing to report use of a residence, or payments for telephone and facsimile lines, or 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(b)(2) or 434(b)(4) in connection with the reporting of tax payments. The Commission also found no reason to believe that the other respondents violated any provisions of the Act.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files,

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68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003). A copy of the dispositive General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information.

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8).

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'J. Cameron Thurber', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

J. Cameron Thurber  
Attorney

Enclosure  
General Counsel's Report

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